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 Serial No. : 09/829,573
 For : BUSINESS MANAGEMENT METHOD, BUSINESS MANAGEMENT APPARATUS AND DATA
 BROADCAST DELIVERY METHOD
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

Claims as Amended

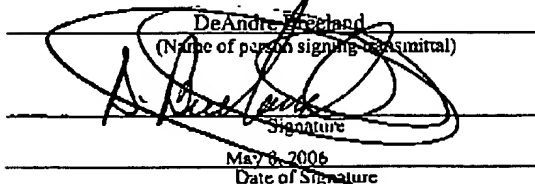
(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	22	Minus	** = 22	*0x	\$50 (25)	= \$0
Independent claims	3	Minus	*** = 3	*0x	\$200 (100)	= \$0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$0

- * If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.
 ** If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.
 *** If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$360(180) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the ___ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefore. This is a petition to request a ___ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
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- ☐ Charge \$ ___ to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.
- ☒ Please charge any additional fees incurred by reason of this response or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0320.

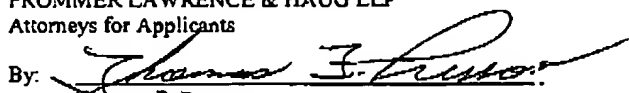
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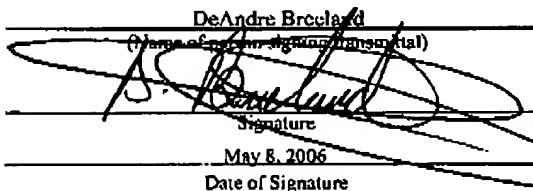
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed on February 6, 2006, having a
three-month statutory period for response set to expire on May 8, 2006 (May 6, 2006 being a
Saturday), please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.